Saskatchewan Consumer Price Index

December 2010

According to Statistics Canada, the Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index decreased 0.4 percent between November 2010 and December 2010 while the Canada All-items Index was unchanged. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index fell 0.4 percent and 0.5 percent, respectively, during the same period.

In Saskatchewan, the December All-items Index decreased from November 2010 primarily due to lower prices for furniture, women's clothing, men's clothing and children's clothing. Prices also fell for the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles, household appliances and traveller accommodations.

Moderating these decreases were price increases for gasoline, food purchased from restaurants, bakery products, fresh vegetables and sugar and confectionery. Prices also rose for personal care supplies and equipment and cigarettes.

The Saskatchewan All-items Consumer Price Index advanced 2.0 percent between December 2009 and December 2010 while the Canada All-items Index increased 2.4 percent. The Regina and Saskatoon All-items Consumer Price Index climbed 2.0 percent and 1.8 percent, respectively, during the same period.

The December All-items Index increased from December 2009 primarily due to price increases for gasoline, food purchased from restaurants, and the purchase and leasing of passenger vehicles. Prices also rose for electricity, rent, housing replacement cost and homeowners home and mortgage insurance.

These increases were partially offset by lower prices for prescribed medicines, recreational equipment and services (excluding recreational vehicles), natural gas and household appliances. Prices also fell for women's clothing, men's clothing and passenger vehicles insurance premiums.

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ALL-ITEMS
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
SASKATCHEWAN AND CANADA

	Index		Percent Change	
	Dec. 2010	Nov. 2010	Nov. 2010 to Dec. 2010	Dec. 2009 to Dec. 2010
	(2002 = 100)			
SASKATCHEWAN				
All-Items	119.4	119.9	-0.4	2.0
Food	124.9	124.6	0.2	1.5
Shelter	142.0	141.9	0.1	3.2
Household Operations and Furnishings	103.5	105.6	-2.0	0.7
Clothing and Footwear	91.0	96.7	-5.9	-2.7
Transportation	112.5	112.2	0.3	3.6
Health and Personal Care	113.2	112.7	0.4	-0.4
Recreation, Education and Reading	104.3	105.0	-0.7	0.3
Tobacco and Alcohol	141.9	141.4	0.4	6.0
All-Items Excluding Energy	118.0	118.7	-0.6	1.5
Energy	132.2	131.0	0.9	5.7
CANADA				
All-Items	117.5	117.5	0.0	2.4
Food	123.9	123.3	0.5	1.7
Shelter	124.6	124.4	0.2	2.7
Household Operations and Furnishings	109.3	109.5	-0.2	1.7
Clothing and Footwear	88.8	92.1	-3.6	-2.0
Transportation	121.2	120.7	0.4	4.9
Health and Personal Care	115.8	116.1	-0.3	2.3
Recreation, Education and Reading	103.9	104.3	-0.4	1.1
Tobacco and Alcohol	134.6	134.6	0.0	2.6
All-Items Excluding Energy	115.4	115.6	-0.2	1.7
Energy	144.0	141.3	1.9	10.5
REGINA				
All-Items	119.7	120.2	-0.4	2.0
SASKATOON				
All-Items	120.2	120.8	-0.5	1.8

Note: **These indices measure the percent change in consumer prices within each geographic area. The indices do not compare price levels between Saskatchewan, Canada, Regina or Saskatoon.**

Source: Statistics Canada, *Consumer Price Index Survey*
Prepared by Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics, Ministry of Finance

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADA AND PROVINCES

	Percent Change	
	Nov. 2010 to Dec. 2010	Dec. 2009 to Dec. 2010
Canada	0.0	2.4
Newfoundland	0.0	2.5
Prince Edward Island	-0.5	1.5
Nova Scotia	-0.2	2.7
New Brunswick	-0.1	1.8
Quebec	0.2	1.6
Ontario	-0.1	3.3
Manitoba	-0.3	1.2
Saskatchewan	-0.4	2.0
Alberta	0.2	0.8
British Columbia	-0.3	2.4
Whitehorse	-0.1	1.9
Yellowknife	0.1	2.1
Iqaluit	0.1	0.7

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX
PERCENT CHANGE
CANADIAN CITIES

	Percent Change	
	Nov. 2010 to Dec. 2010	Dec. 2009 to Dec. 2010
St. John's	0.0	2.5
Charlottetown-Summerside	-0.6	1.4
Halifax	-0.3	2.4
Saint John	-0.2	1.8
Quebec City	0.3	1.6
Montreal	0.2	1.6
Ottawa	0.0	3.5
Toronto	-0.2	3.2
Thunder Bay	-0.1	3.4
Winnipeg	-0.4	1.1
Regina	-0.4	2.0
Saskatoon	-0.5	1.8
Edmonton	0.1	0.9
Calgary	0.1	0.6
Vancouver	-0.4	2.5
Victoria	-0.4	2.0
Whitehorse	-0.1	1.9
Yellowknife	0.1	2.1
Iqaluit	0.1	0.7

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